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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
KAZUHIKO HATANO ) : Examiner: R. Tillery  
Application No.: 09/031,767 ) : Group Art Unit: 2612  
Filed: February 27, 1998 )  
For: IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS )  
AND METHOD FOR )  
BROADENING APPARENT )  
DYNAMIC RANGE OF )  
VIDEO SIGNAL (AS AMENDED) ) : June 28, 2002

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents to further extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2001, for an additional one month from May 28, 2002 to June 28, 2002.

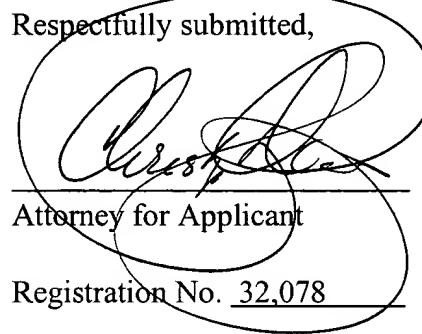
Submitted herewith is a check for \$520.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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